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SUBJ: ATTACKS ON READER'S DIGEST'S "AL MUKHTAR"

1. THREE LONG ARTICLES ATTRIBUTED TO SALAH ISA OF THE ARAB
PRESS AGENCY APPEARED IN AMMAN DAILY AL RA'I JULY 19-21 ATTACKING
FORTHCOMING RESUMPTION PUBLICATION OF READER'S DIGEST ARABIC
EDITION, AL MUKHTAR, IN CAIRO ON GROUNDS OF CULTURAL IMPERIALISM,
ETC.

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2. ISA IS THOUGHT TO BE EMPLOYEE OF CAIRO DAILY AL GUMHURRIYA

WHO PREVIOUSLY SERVED PRISON SENTENCE FOR COMMUNIST PARTY ACTIVITIES. HE LEFT COUNTRY APPROXIMATELY FOUR MONTHS AGO AND IS RUMORED TO BE EITHER IN DAMASCUS OR DOHA. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ON THE ARAB PRESS AGENCY.

3. AL MUKHTAR IS TO BE PUBLISHED UNDER LICENSE BY AL AKHBAR WHOSE MANAGEMENT (MUGA SABRI AND MUSTAPHA AMIN) BELIEVES THAT THESE ARTICLES ARE BEGINNING OF SOVIET-INSPIRED CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE MAGAZINE WHICH PLANS TO BEGIN WITH 100,000 CIRCULATION THROUGHOUT ARAB WORLD.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED IF THESE ARTICLES OR OTHER ATTACKS ON AL MUKHTAR APPEAR ELSEWHERE.

5. FOR PARIS: PLEASE INFORM J.D. PANITZA OF READER'S DIGEST THAT THIS CABLE SENT.
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